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DEATHS.

On the 19th August, Fukuoka, Japan, WILLIAM N. PRITCHER, teacher in the Commercial School, aged 38 years.
On the 21st August, at his residence, No. 4, Bund, Nagasaki, FREDERICK GEORGE SHILLITO, 58 years.

The Daily Press.

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HONGKONG, 31st August, 1936

In the issue of the *Government Gazette* which was published on Saturday morning is contained a report, addressed to the Principal Civil Medical Officer by Dr. J. C. Thomson, on the plague-cases treated at Kennedy Town Hospital during the recent epidemic. At the date when Dr. Thomson wrote, the 6th July, the epidemic was not entirely over. 262 cases had been admitted to the hospital of whom 171 had died, 87 had been discharged, and 24 were still in hospital but convalescent and almost certain to recover. The important point in Dr. Thomson's report is its description of the results obtained from the use of carbolic acid in plague treatment. Dr. Thomson says that, fresh curative serum being unavailable and that imported from Europe having last year proved useless, he continued trials made by him in the two previous epidemics of oil of cinnamon. After thirty cases he abandoned it as without value. After treating more than a hundred cases on general principles, Dr. Thomson says, on the 18th May Dr. ARKINSON proposed to him a further trial of carbolic acid, in larger doses than he had previously used at Kennedy Town. He had, he says in his report, used the drug in over 200 cases in 1901, in 80-grain doses daily and did not think it had produced much effect. This year, after hearing Dr. ARKINSON's suggestion, he administered no less than 144 grains of

carbolic acid daily, in two-hourly doses of twelve grains each, in a mixture flavoured with syrup of orange and chloroform water. With these enormous doses—one European patient took over 2,500 grains of pure carbolic acid before plague bacilli left his blood—Dr. Thomson expected evidence of carbolic acid poisoning, but it was practically unknown. As a result of his observations in 143 cases, Dr. Thomson considers the administration of carbolic acid in large doses the most hopeful means of treating plague thus far at our disposal here. "Carbolic acid," he writes, "is of undoubted value in the treatment of plague when given in such doses as to allow of its sufficient concentration in the blood to exert its antiseptic action on the bacilli." He gives tables showing the comparative rates of mortality before and after the use of carbolic acid, and though it must be remembered that the treatment with the drug was commenced late in the epidemic, when the disease was less virulent, still a decline from 35.6 per cent. to 36.4 per cent. is sufficiently remarkable. And it must be noted that the average mortality among plague patients at Kennedy Town Hospital in 1903 (down to the 6th July) was very much smaller than in any of the previous plague epidemics. Nevertheless, Dr. Thomson is not prepared to admit that carbolic acid is a specific remedy, and he urges on the attention of H.E. the Governor the desirability of carrying into effect before next epidemic season proposals already sanctioned for the local production of a curative serum for plague. Altogether Dr. Thomson's report is a most instructive and suggestive document, and we hope that it will receive the fullest attention.

H.M.S. *Cressy* arrived on Saturday morning from Weihaiwei, which she left on the 24th inst.

While their premises are under repair, Messrs. Aches & Co.'s show-rooms are at No. 12, Queen's Road above Messrs. H. Pries & Co.

The appointment of Mr. H. Hursthouse as Acting Crown Solicitor during the absence on vacation leave of Mr. F. B. L. Bowley is notified in the *Gazette*.

One case of plague—Chinese, fatal—was reported during the 24 hours ended at noon on Saturday. The body was found on vacant ground at Kwa Chung.

It is notified in the *Gazette* that H.M. the King has not been advised to exercise his power of disallowance with respect to Ordinance No. 1 of 1903 (Ordinance to consolidate and amend the Laws relating to Public Health and to Buildings).

"On seeing a motor, do not attempt to cross the road; if you do you'll be dead before you get to the other side." This warning, it is said, was distributed in quantities to the peasantry living in the vicinity of the Gordon-Bennett Cup race-course in Ireland. It seems appropriate in its Hibernalism.

A meeting of H.M. Justices of the Peace takes place at the Magistracy at 2.15 p.m. to-morrow to consider an application from L. Comer for a publican's licence to sell and retail intoxicating liquor on the premises situated at No. 61, Des Vaux Road Central under the sign of the "Main Hotel."

By a slip in the report of H.E. the Governor's speech at the meeting of the S. P. C. A. on Friday we allowed the name of Leich, the celebrated illustrator of *Punch*, to appear as "Leitch." By a most curious coincidence both our evening contemporaries on Saturday in their reports made the same slip. We hear the "long arm of coincidence" spoken of, but we have never heard before of the long sensors at the end of that arm.

The following is the programme of music to be played by the band of the 10th Bombay Light Infantry on the New Parade Ground to-day, from 5 to 6.30 p.m.:
March—H.M.S. *Camperdown*, Ode Overture—French Comedy, Yelo-Bela Waltz—Souris D'Avril, Deprot Selection—Florodora, Stuart Lullaby—Cradle Song, Lange Intermezzo—Cavalieria Rusticana, Macagnani "God Save the King."

For the concert to be given on Wednesday evening next in the Theatre Royal for the benefit of Alva the Great a lot of good talent has been secured. Alva, it will be remembered, was robbed of nearly everything he possessed while performing in the Native City, Canton. Alva will himself give a magical and ventriloquist turn, and will be assisted by Mr. Cullen, Mr. H. Palmer, Mr. W. Dockree, Mr. C. Burnett, Mr. W. Rogers, Mr. C. F. Jenkins (bassist) and Mr. A. F. Tyler (pianist).

Two Chinamen have died in hospital from injuries sustained whilst attempting to escape from the police during the execution of a gambling warrant at Yau-mai on the 27th inst. by Inspector Macdonald. They were climbing down from the second floor by means of a water-pipe, but each lost his hold and fell to the ground. A third man had a narrow escape. He was walking along a ledge running in front of the verandah in order to reach the adjoining house and safety; the ledge at one part gave way under his weight, and only a quick clutching at down-hanging venetian blinds saved him from following his two companions in misfortune. He succeeded in regaining his footing and getting into the house he was climbing for.

Rear-Admiral Curzon-Howe will probably leave for the North on H.M.S. *Albion* on the 5th or 7th prox.

The Russian journal *Novosti* declares that a Japanese shipping company intends shortly to open communications with Odessa.

It is notified in the *Gazette* that no dogs brought from Shanghai will be permitted to land in this Colony for a period of six months from the 28th August.

Three cases of suspected cholera have occurred on board the Russian gunboat *Okeany*, lying at Nagasaki. The *Okeany* was quarantined at Shanghai for cholera previously.

It is reported that Miss Mary Evans, a Chicago lady, is going to found and edit an evening newspaper in Tokyo which is to be written, edited, set up, and printed by women.

The world's trotting record for the mile has at last been reduced to 2 minutes; the mare *Lou Dillon* accomplishing the feat at New York on the 25th inst. The "2 minutes dead" has been the mark of owners of racing trotters for years. *Crescens* did the mile in 2.021 in 1901.

The *Asahi* publishes a Tokyo despatch stating that news had reached the Japanese Foreign Office that on the 18th instant Cho Sei-Kyo, Korean Forest Inspector, intimated to the Japanese Minister that he had annulled the lease contract for land at Yong-ampho which he had signed with the representative of the Russian Timber Company.

The latest report of the Board of Health for the City of Manila shows the following:—Cholera—March 21, 1902, to December 31, 1902, cases, 4,634; deaths, 3,650; recovered, 1,044; to August 21, 1903, cases, 413; deaths, 369; recovered, 38; total, cases, 5,077; deaths, 3,983; recovered, 1,142. Smallpox—To August 22, 1903, cases, 94; deaths, 13; recovered, 78. Plague—To August 22, 1903, cases, 195; deaths, 164; recovered, 31.

The late Cardinal Vaughan is to be succeeded in all probability by the Right Rev. Francis Bourne, Bishop of Southwark, who was Domestic Prelate to Pope Leo XIII. in 1895. Bishop Bourne has been at the head of the See of Southwark since 1897. Born in 1831 at Clapham, he was educated at St. Catharine's college, was at St. Edmund's, Ware, and finished his ecclesiastical education at St. Sulpice, Paris, and at the University of Louvain, Belgium. He was ordained priest in 1854.

A performance of Wagner's *Parsifal* is announced as forthcoming in New York. *Parsifal* is still protected by copyright and may not be played anywhere but at Bayreuth, where the Wagner Opera house is. Frau Wagner, the master's widow, protests against the New York performance and says:—It is shocking to think that a mere desire to make money should induce any one to produce *Parsifal* on a New York stage where *Carmina* may be presented the day before and *Treasure* the other [?] next] day.

Three headhunters walked into the clerk's office the other evening at the Oriental Hotel, Kobe, and, standing in a row, demanded something to eat. Had they asked for it in a respectful way they would probably have been accommodated, but their tone was one calling for prompt measures of retaliation. The police were immediately telephoned for and quickly appeared, taking the men in charge. As they were being taken out of the hotel they remarked that they were now sure of being fed, and went off quite cheerfully.

On the 21st inst. with a startling suddenness, there passed away at Nagasaki Mr. E. G. Shillito Stone, the local head of the China and Japan Trading Company. The illness was perforce peritonitis. Mr. Stone was one of the oldest to sign residents of Nagasaki, and he was also one of the most highly esteemed and most universally liked, both by foreigners and Japanese. From the same place is also reported the death on the 18th inst. of Mr. Hugo Worbs, well known also in Yokohama. Mr. Worbs was 37 years of age, and came of mixed English and German parentage. He was born in London and was a British subject.

The *Japan Mail* still does not think that there is any truth in the statement that the Japanese Government has purchased the Chilean warships now offering for sale in England. The vessels are very excellent craft, says the *Mail*, but they are of a special type and their addition to the Japanese Navy would impair the latter's homogeneity. Were there any apprehension of immediate war, these line-of-battle ships might be snatched up quickly enough, but since happily that is not the case, and since the Japanese Government has no fond immediately available for the purchase of two ironclads, our contemporary classes this story as a canard.

Since the conversion of a French lady to Zoroastrianism in Bombay on the 8th February last and her marriage to a Mr. Tala, a sharp and acrimonious controversy has been raging among the Parsees, and recently culminated in a requisition of about 2,300 Parsees, headed by one of their high priests. The requisitionists asked the trustees of the Parsee Pancharat charitable funds and property to appoint an influential committee to report upon the question of the desirability or otherwise of receiving non-Zoroastrians into the Zoroastrian fold; and on the qualifications required, and restrictions to be imposed, on those who were desirous of entering into that religion. The trustees were of opinion that the appointment of the committee would be much better made in a public meeting of the community, and this has been done.

Spymania, both in the police and in a section of the Press, is reported to be prevalent in Japan just now, and foreigners in any way resembling Russians are liable to be strictly watched.

The *Manila Cables* publishes constant telegrams with lurid news of Turkish atrocities in the Balkans. As these messages all come from Sofia, Bulgaria, not much importance must be attached to them.

The Mitsui Bussan Kaisha's steamer which was recently sold to the Korean Government and equipped as an armed cruiser, has been manned by Korean officers and men, and a trip has been made. Korea has now a Navy.

The *Asahi* says, on the authority of its Peking correspondent, that the French, Russian, and Belgian Ministers have objected to the withdrawal of the prohibition against the importation of arms into China, but their objection has not been sustained.

In 1901 there were between 3,000 and 6,000 Japanese resident in Fusan, Korea. Since the construction work on the Seoul-Fusan Railway has been in hand there has been a remarkable expansion, for in Fusan at the present time there are over 11,000 Japanese.

Mr. E. Root, U.S. Secretary of War, having resigned, and Mr. W. H. Taft, Civil Governor of the Philippines, having been appointed in his place, Mr. Luke Wright, now Acting Governor, will be full Governor on the 1st January next. Mr. Root has been persuaded to continue in office until then, though anxious to resign at once.

Many of the home papers, followed at a month's interval or more by the great majority of the Far Eastern Press, have circulated a paper saying that "Japanese schoolboys, it seems, are systematically getting into communication with English schoolboys by interchange of letters," and go on to give a specimen written to a Tombridge boy by a boy in Japan. We can hardly presume that the letter was written for publication and cannot help pitying the poor boy whose attempts at English have been betrayed to the public.

TYPHOON WARNING.

We received last night the following typhoon warning from the U.S. Consul-General, dated Manila Observatory, August 30th, 6.20 p.m.:—The depression seems to have entered the coast in the neighbourhood of Amoy.

IMPUDENT STREET ROBBERY.

It was reported on Saturday that while Mrs. Jackson was walking from the Hongkong Hotel to Pender's wharf about 11 o'clock in the forenoon, she was set upon by a Chinese coolie who snatched away a gold chain, which the lady wore round her neck, and a handbag and ran off at full speed. The street was pretty busy at the time but none of the numerous Chinese who witnessed the robbery made any attempt to stop the thief; instead of that a number of coolies jeered at the lady's discomfiture. The police have the case in hand.

THE INTERPORT CRICKET TEAM.

Practice commenced on Saturday at the nets with a view to assisting in the selection of a cricket team to go up to Shanghai. The following players have been invited by the Committee to practise—J. T. Dixon, W. E. Dixon, A. S. Anton, R. Hancock, H. Hancock, F. Maitland, A. G. Ward, T. Sercombe Smith, T. E. Pierce, W. C. D. Turner, R. E. O. Bird, D. Piper, C. R. S. Cooper, J. E. Lee, Major Chichester, H. Arthur, Fletcher, T. C. Gray, Capt. P. G. Davies, R. A. Wilson, R. N. A. Mackenzie, W. H. Howard, A. R. Lowe, and Lieut. Rimington, S. F. Heath, and Smith, R. A. Some of the above, it is definitely known, will not be able to get away, but their presence at the practice is still desired. Scratch matches will be played, in addition to the ordinary net-work.

A GALLANT RESCUE.

Late on Friday night a party of young men went on to the "Star" Ferry wharf at Kowloon to take the incoming launch for Hongkong, and one of their number when about to sit down on the bench at the side of the wharf overbalanced and fell backwards into the water. He came to the surface again almost immediately but as he was unable to swim and as his companions were in a like case, he seemed for a time to be in imminent danger of drowning. His friends were greatly alarmed but were unable to lend any assistance. Fortunately, just at that moment Mr. S. Gidley happened to come forward and when he saw what the position of matters was he promptly cast off his jacket and jumped into the water to the rescue. He had considerable difficulty in keeping afloat the immersed man, who was not in a condition to know what he was doing, but eventually the rescuer secured a grasp of him about the neck-dress and swimming to one of the wharf-piles clung on to it until a sampan came and delivered them from their dangerous plight. Just as they were taken off, the ferry launch steamed in, so they were lucky in being rescued before she ran in on top of them. Eye-witnesses state that Mr. S. Gidley, who is employed in the Sanitary department, acted with great gallantry, and we trust his brave action may be rewarded suitably.

TELEGRAMS.

THE "AMERICA" CUP.

New York, 29th August.

Owing to stormy weather, the third race for the "America" cup has been postponed.

[The above telegram was published by kind permission of Messrs. Shaw, Swan, & Co. The advent of stronger breezes may perhaps be regarded as a more hopeful circumstance for Shamrock III. The *Manila Cables* publishes the following with regard to the second race:—New York, August 28.—Again the English yacht met defeat. The Cup defender *Reliance* beat *Shamrock the Third* in the second race by one minute and nineteen seconds. Even the greatest admirers of the *Shamrock* were disappointed, but Sir Thomas Lipton still has a chance to lift the mug as there are three races yet to be run. If the *Reliance* wins one more she has won the contest. The breeze to-day was stiff and it was confidently believed that Lipton would cross the line first. The Knight takes his hard luck happily and still hopes for a winning of three or four. Not much money was wagered on the race as no one would give better than five to one on *Reliance*. The third race will be sailed to-day.—En. D.P.]

REUTERS SERVICE.

TURKISH AFFAIRS—ASSASSINATION OF AN U.S. VICE-CONSUL.

LONDON, 26th August.

The United States Vice-Consul at Beirut has been assassinated. President Roosevelt has demanded satisfaction and ordered the United States European squadron, now in the Mediterranean, to proceed to Beirut immediately.

LONDON, 26th August.

The revolt is gaining ground in Adirgnople. An attempt has been made to burn the American Missionary College at Kharput. The excitement in connection with the Beirut affair is increasing in the United States. The U.S. squadron has left Villafrañche.

THE "AMERICA" CUP.

LONDON, 26th August.

In the second race for the "America" Cup, the *Reliance* out sailed the *Shamrock* throughout and led by 12 minutes at the outer mark; later on the race became a drifting match.

TURKEY AND THE BALKAN TROUBLES.

LONDON, 27th August.

It appears that Turkey is realising the danger of delay, and has decided to crush the insurgents with an overwhelming force.

HARVEST PROSPECTS IN ENGLAND.

LONDON, 27th August.

Continuous heavy rains in England have caused widespread damage to the harvest and the prospects are most gloomy.

The Army manoeuvres have been postponed on account of the state of the crops.

THE TSAR TO VISIT AUSTRIA.

LONDON, 27th August.

The Tsar, accompanied by Count Lamsdorff, will visit the Emperor Joseph in September.

SAMCHUN.

Few Hongkongites have any idea how busy a place is this frontier market-town, which the British Government so foolishly handed back to the Chinese in 1899. Samchun lies in the centre of a wide fertile valley—the most fertile in all San On—the whole of which is closely cultivated. The population of the place is not considerable, probably not more than 6,000, but the position of the town itself at the farthest navigable point of the Samchun river gives it a vast trade for its size. It is no exaggeration to say that Samchun is the trade-centre for at least 200,000 people, and this, we think, is a very modest estimation. Nearly all the inhabitants of the New Territory north of the Kowloon range of hills and all the people south of Lungshu in Chinese territory, make this their chief buying and selling place. A market is held about every third day, and on these days the country around Samchun is like an indigo sea; such is the press of blue-clad Chinese carrying all kinds of produce.

The I.M.C. authorities have drawn a monthly revenue of \$800 to \$1,000. There is also a tax imposed by the local authorities upon all pigs brought into the market-town.

The lower class people in Samchun are mostly the refuse of Hongkong and the Straits Settlements—deportees, etc.—and a strong anti-foreign feeling prevails among this class. Many of the gentry too, are not free from this feeling, although there are some who profess they would like to see Samchun under British control. Bobbys are frequent in and around Samchun, and the usual "squeeze" system prevails. Gambling houses are everywhere. There is a small guard of horses in the place who spend their time mostly in lounging around the gambling and opium dens. A Shan Ti or local headman represents the Chinese Government.

CANTON.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

Canton, 28th August.

CANTON NEWSPAPERS AND THE PEKING MURDER.

The native papers in Canton are not afraid to express their indignation at the execution of Shen the reformer in the strongest terms. They denounce it not only as a barbarous and revengeful act, but as illegal—the latter point being especially insisted upon. One cannot help admiring the courage and patriotism of these editors in speaking out their minds so boldly. This has, I believe, been their policy from the beginning, and no doubt they help to form, as far as it is possible in China, a kind of public opinion, for most of the literates in Canton read these papers regularly.

A RASCAL DEGRADED.

The notorious Captain Yung, so well known to Shamen residents, has at length been deprived of his button. Danger has been hanging over his head for some time, for on the arrival of Viceroy Shun a chorus of complaints was raised against him. The average Chinaman here speaks of him with detestation, and there is no doubt that his punishment will be hailed with joy. He had, it is rumoured, been working against the Viceroy by spreading slanderous reports about him, and Shun has at last considered it necessary to stop his mouth.

D.D. ROBBERY RAFFIALED.

A daring attempt at robbery was made on Tuesday afternoon. A coolie was conveying \$2,000 worth of treasure to a sampan, for shipment on board the s.s. *San Cheung*. When he arrived at the wharf he sat down on the bag of treasure to take a rest. No sooner had he got to his feet, however, than the treasure was seized by three of the desperate characters who abound on the riverside. These men endeavoured to make off with their booty, but so loud a hue-and-cry was raised that they were compelled to abandon it, and one of their number fell into the hands of the Customs guard. The merchants are so incensed at this daring attempt, that they are doing their utmost to get the prisoner executed, and it is given out that he will be strangled at the scene of his crime.

[FROM THE "CHUNG NGOI SAN PO"]

LI KA-CHUEN'S SOLDIERIES.

Li Ka-chuen, the alleged instigator of the murder of Young Ku-Wan, the reformer, in Hongkong was brought back to Canton a few days ago by Admiral Ho Cheong-shing, and is at present looked up in the Puny Magistrate by order of the Provincial Treasurer, who is temporarily taking charge of the Viceroyship. A wire was subsequently sent to Viceroy Shun in Kwangsi asking what sort of punishment should be awarded to him. The Viceroy replied that he is to be looked up till further notice. When Admiral Ho arrived at Yumchow to effect the arrest of Li Ka-chuen, he had received about one hundred copies of petitions against Li and some four hundred petitions against his subordinate officers and soldiers all complaining of squeezing, ill-treatment, illegal imprisonment and execution of innocent men by Li, and blackmailing, bullying, and kidnapping of children and young women by the others. When his soldiers, who were brought back to Canton by Admiral Ho wearing uniforms bearing two Chinese characters "Cheuk Yang" (i.e. soldiers of Li) marched through the market towns, all the shops were at once closed, refusing to sell anything to them. In fact they would have been all starved, if Admiral Ho had not been wise enough to tell them to wear the uniforms of the soldiers of General Fung Tze-tai, who is greatly respected and loved by every class of people. When they had changed their uniforms, the people were very glad to sell them rice, etc., at reasonable prices. When the soldiers arrived at Canton they went to the residence of Li's family in To-Fo street, demanding the payment of wages several months in arrears and threatening to set fire to the house if their demand was not at once complied with. The authorities were not stopped till the arrival of the soldiers of the Puny Magistrate.

General Fung Tze-tai sent a telegram to the Canton authorities lately to the effect that thirteen young women had been kidnapped by the soldiers of Li. The kidnapped young women were all in the disguise of males. Two of them have been discovered by General Fung who told the Canton authorities that the rest have been brought to Canton and has asked them to hunt them out.

A WISE STEP.

It is reported that Viceroy Shun, who knows that the multiplication of robbers is partly due to the issue of licences for gambling, has ordered the prefect of Wuchoo to stop the *Pak Kip* and *Tai Po* lotteries and all sorts of petty gambling in Kwangsi which have brought poverty and ruin to a good many people, who consequently have turned robbers. It is to be hoped that the Viceroy will do the same thing in Kwangtung, which is at present overrun with robbers.

NEW TERRITORY NOTES.

WILD ANIMALS.

Sportsmen in Hongkong are apt to ridicule the idea of there being wild animals in the New Territory, which can be reckoned in the sense of "big game," and that too in spite of numerous proofs from the villagers. A little over a week ago in the grey light of the early morning, a large grey-brown animal which looked like a huge wolf visited one of the Customs stations on the frontier, seized a fifteen-catty pig in its mouth, and made off towards a gap in the hills. A road leads through this gap and some of the braves at the station gave chase. The animal on reaching the top of the gap saw some people coming in the opposite direction, whereupon it dropped the pig, and made off among the hills. The pig was alive when recovered and is still living, although considerably cut about the neck and back by the fangs of the animal which carried it off. The incident was witnessed by the Europeans in charge of the station.

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Hongkong, 17th August, 1903. 2319

THOMAS P. HALL

FOR many years Master in the Service of
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Mercantile Community that he has this day
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MARINE SURVEYOR.

OFFICE: 1, PRINCE'S BUILDINGS.
Hongkong, 10th August, 1903. 2316

NOTICE

**THE HONG KONG STEAM-BOAT
COMPANY, LIMITED.**

LI WAI TONG of Victoria, in the
Colon of Hongkong, Gentleman,
formerly a Permanent Director of the above
named Company, HEREBY GIVE NOTICE
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Director thereof, and that I have severed all
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THE Undersigned, having been appointed
AGENTS for the above Company, are
prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE
at Current Rates.

HOTZ, S. JACOB & CO.
Hongkong, 2nd April, 1900. 2

NORTH GERMAN FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY OF HAMBURG

The Undersigned AGENTS of the above
Company are prepared to ACCEPT First
Class Foreign and Chinese Risks at Current
Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO.
Hongkong, 29th May 1895. 27

THE BOMBAY FIRE AND MARINE
INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed
AGENTS for the above Company, are
prepared to ACCEPT RISKS at Current Rates.

HOTZ, S. JACOB & CO.
Hongkong, 30th July, 1903. 2160

PHENIX FIRE OFFICE

The Undersigned are now prepared to
GRANT POLICIES of INSURANCE
against FIRE at Current Rates.

DOUGLAS LARBAIK & CO.
Agents for the Phoenix Fire Office.
Hongkong, 17th August, 1897. 25

AACHEN AND MUNICH FIRE IN-
SURANCE CO.

OF AIX-LE-CHAPPEL.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed
AGENTS for the above Company, are
prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE
at Current Rates.

REUTER, BROCKELMANN & CO.
Agents.
Hongkong, 21st April, 1897. 113

GENERAL MARINE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED.

OF BRESDEN.

THE Undersigned, having been appointed
AGENTS for the above Company, are
prepared to ACCEPT FOREIGN AND
CHINESE RISKS.

HOTZ, S. JACOB & CO.
Hongkong, 1st September, 1902. 2327

THE WESTERN ASSURANCE
COMPANY OF TORONTO, CANADA

INCORPORATED 1851.
Cash Security\$25,719
Total Losses Paid\$26,769,240

THE Undersigned, having been appointed
AGENTS for the above Company, are
prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE
at Current Rates.

WM. MEYERINK & CO.
Hongkong, 18th May, 1903. 144

NORTHERN ASSURANCE CO.

ESTABLISHED 1836.

THE Undersigned Agents of above Company
are prepared to accept First-class Foreign
and Chinese RISKS against FIRE at Current
Rates.

TURNER & CO.
Hongkong, 14th January, 1903. 218

NORTH BRITISH AND MERCANTILE
FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY.

TOTAL FUNDS AT 31st DECEMBER, 1902.
£16,378,721.

I. AUTHORIZED CAPITAL... ..\$3,000,000 0 0
SUBSIDIZED CAPITAL... ..2,750,000 0 0
PAID-UP CAPITAL... ..637,500 0 0
II. FIRE FUNDS... ..2,637,215 11 1

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AGENTS for the above Company, are
prepared to ACCEPT RISKS against FIRE at
Current Rates.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.
Agents.
Hongkong, 19th June, 1903. 1888

THE STATE FIRE INSURANCE
COMPANY, LIMITED, OF
LIVERPOOL

THE Undersigned AGENTS of the above
Company are prepared to ACCEPT
RISKS against FIRE at Current Rates.

W. G. HUMPHREYS & CO.
Hongkong, 3rd August, 1903. 2185

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The Undersigned, having been appointed
AGENTS for the above Company, are
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Current Rates.

SIEMSEN & CO.
Agents.
Hongkong, 16th May, 1892. 28

NOTICE TO LADIES.

MADAM FLINT wishes to inform her
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that she has now REMOVED to the CON-
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MADAM FLINT is leaving for Paris on
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HATS in any particular fashion or design, &c.
She will also bring out new goods for the
BALL and RACE SEASONS.

MADAM FLINT also begs to inform the
Hongkong Ladies that, in order to make room
for the New Stock, she will hold a CLEAR-
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very cheap bargains will be offered.

Hongkong, 3rd August, 1903. 2188

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Hongkong, 19th August, 1903. 1890

REMARKABLE AUTOMATA.

Few persons in the mechanical world have not
heard of the automata of the famous Neuchâtel
mechanician of the eighteenth century, says a
writer in the *Scientific American*. Most people
would not know where to find automata of
Jaquet-Droz. They are said to be in Russia, in
England, and scattered here and there
throughout the world. But the most remark-
able of these masterpieces are in the possession
of Mr. Henri Martin, of Dresden, where they
are the admiration of all those who happen to
visit Dresden and are able to examine them.
According to the information furnished by
Mr. Martin, the automata are in good condition
and work as well as at the time when Jaquet-
Droz exhibited them to the sovereigns of
France, Spain, and England, though now they
must be put in operation by hand.

One of this wonderful man's clocks went for
a very long time without being rewound. This
kind of perpetual movement was produced by
different metals expanding and contracting at
the same temperature. Another clock, without
being touched, answered the question "What
time is it?" It must be presumed that the
brain of the questioner was sufficient, by a
delicate combination, to put the mechanism in
movement. Still another exhibited the hours,
the minutes and the seconds, the centre of
the dial indicating the course of the sun
through the zodiac, and the four seasons, and
the different phases of the moon in perfect ac-
cord with its evolution. The dial was lighted
at the time of the full moon, and the stars ap-
peared and disappeared at the required intervals. This
artificial firmament was covered with clouds if
the weather was unpleasant, or lighted if it was
clear. As soon as the hour was struck a chime
was heard. It played nine different melodies,
to which an echo responded. A lady seated in
a balcony, holding a book in her hand, accom-
panied the music with gesture and look, from
time to time, took a pinch of snuff, and
bowed to those who opened the glass door
of the clock. When the chiming was ended
a canary, standing on the hand of a child,
whose gestures expressed admiration, sang
eight different airs. A shepherd came in his
turn and played on the flute, and two children
danced around. Suddenly one of the children
threw himself on the floor in order to make the
other lose his balance, and then turned towards
the spectators, pointing at his companion with
his finger. Near the shepherd a lamb bleated
from time to time, and a dog approached his
master to caress him and to watch over a
basket of apples. If anyone touched the fruit,
he would bark until it was put back in its place.

He presented one of his clocks to King
Ferdinand VI, who was so delighted that he
refused the expenses of the journey and paid
in addition 500 louis d'or. The King assem-
bled his courtiers in order to show them his
acquisition. Among the automata was a clock
with a shepherd playing on his flute, and a dog
guarding a basket of fruit. "The dog," said
Jaquet-Droz, "is as faithful as he is well be-
haved. Let your Majesty put him to the
proof by touching one of the fruits in the
basket." The King endeavoured to take an
apple, but the dog immediately threw himself
on his hand, barking so naturally that a hound
present in the room responded with all his
strength. The courtiers thought that sorcery
was at work, and fled precipitately, making
the sign of the cross. The King and the Minister
of Marine were the only ones to remain.

Three of these automata, whose perfection
exceeded everything which had ever been known
in this class of work, are the Young Musician,
the Draughtsman, and the Writer. A young
woman, seated at the harpsichord, executed
several pieces of music with dexterity, without
any person touching the instrument. The
draughtsman, seated on a stool, made drawings
with a pencil, sketching them correctly and then
shading them. From time to time he raised
his hand to examine his work the better,
corrected some defect, and blew the dust from
the paper. Henri Louis, having gone to
Versailles, exhibited his automata to the
King. The draughtsman, to the amaze-
ment of the whole court, sketched the
portrait of the French King with a laurel
wreath on his head. Jaquet-Droz went over to
England, he placed the draughtsman before the
King, and soon the hands of the automaton
were actively at work, but the surprise of those
present was boundless when they beheld, not
the image of the King of France, which they
had expected, but that of the English monarch.
Of course, the portraits were not finished
productions, but presented a general
resemblance.

The draughtsman of Jaquet-Droz was not
however, the most remarkable of the works
created by the inexhaustible genius of the artist.
Let one judge from the writer, seated before
an isolated desk, without contact with any
person. He would dip his pen in the inkstand

and write, without dictation, slowly it is true,
but distinctly and correctly. Each word oc-
cupied a suitable place at the desired distance
from the preceding; when a line was finished,
he commenced a new one, leaving between
them the necessary space. The movements
of the eyes, and of the arms and hands
were admirably imitated. The writer might
even be interrupted. He stopped in the
middle of a word, if asked, and wrote an-
other. The means used by Jaquet-Droz for
securing this result have remained unknown.
The courtiers, scientists, and the most skillful
mechanicians have vainly sought to penetrate
the mystery. It is needless to say that the
writer performed only in the presence of
Jaquet-Droz, which involves the idea of some
action exercised by this artist. It has been
supposed that he made use of a magnet
concealed in his shoes or clothing. This idea
was suggested by his habit of walking back
and forth, and turning sometimes to one side
and sometimes to the other, while the
automaton was writing; thus, perhaps,
being able to attract the hook towards the
wheel with the aid of a magnet and cause
it to return by the same force. The lords of
the court endeavoured, by means of other
magnets of great power concealed in their
clothing to disturb the working of the apparatus
by their attitudes and movements, but in vain.
The automaton wrote with the same accuracy.
The Writer is still in existence. It continues to
write, provided the hook and wheel are kept in
action by the hand. The motive force used by
the artist is a secret, which, unfortunately, has
been buried with him.

PLAGUE INOCULATION
AMONGST PARSEES.

Amongst the many evidences of their vigorous
communal life, if we may employ the expression
none has been more admirable than the manner
in which the Parsees have met the successive
visitations of plague, writes the *Times of India*.
They were amongst the first to recognise that
this was pre-eminently an occasion for self-
help and co-operation with the authorities,
and they have continued to act upon
these principles up to the present time. Last
year, we find from a modest report published
by the Parsee Panchayat, the fever hospital
was opened during the epidemic season, the
supplementary ward was maintained at Free
Road and the Parsee Ward at Modikhana,
health camps were established, monetary grants
were made to the indigent members of the
community, and a special disinfecting staff was
engaged. In short, the leaders of the com-
munity actively assisted the authorities in carrying
out the palliative plague measures which
have been adopted in recent years. As
for results, we find that 278 Parsees died of
plague, equal to 17.6 per cent. of the total
mortality amongst the members of the com-
munity. The season is fast approaching when
the Trustees of the Parsee Panchayat will have
to consider what policy they will adopt in
regard to the plague epidemic which may have
to be faced during the cold weather. "Dr.
Turner, the Health Officer, has effectively dis-
posed of the belief that the palliative measures
into which we have drifted are of any value
commensurate with the expense and distur-
bance involved. Now is the time therefore for
the Panchayat to soberly consider the lines of
the new campaign. The old palliatives are
completely discredited; as for the measures
that should take their place, we need scarcely
reiterate our conviction that inoculation is the
only preventive of proved efficiency in the
conditions which obtain in Bombay. In the
Parsee community itself of the total mortality
of 276 only 19 deaths were of persons who
had been inoculated. With this plain fact to
guide them, as well as the overwhelming
evidence in support of inoculation, we would
most earnestly appeal to the Parsees to take the
lead in this, as they have done in so many other
branches of our civic life, and very seriously
consider how far they are justified in neglecting
the one proved prophylactic when every other
expedient to counter plague has miserably
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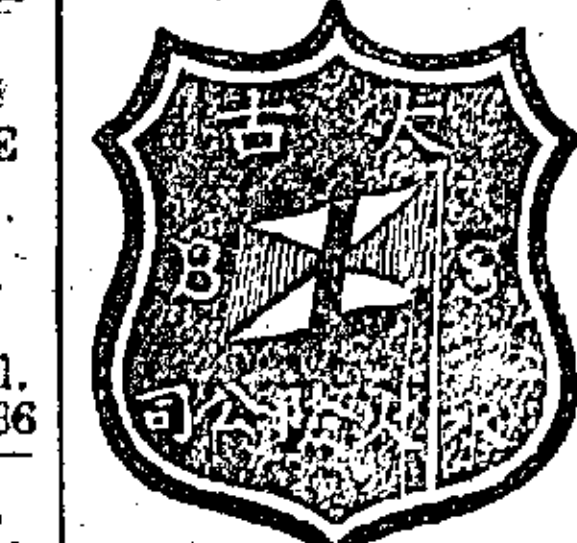
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ARRIVALS.	
Aug. 28, DAIJIN MARU, Japanese str., 1,600, J. Agents.	Aug. 27th August, General—
OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA.	
Aug. 28, HIRM, Norwegian steamer, 758, A. Erikson, Manila 25th Aug., Ballast—	SANDER, WELER & Co.
Aug. 29, CLARA JENSEN, German str., 1,173, J. Bendixen, Fukuoka 26th August and	Holhow 28th, General—JENSEN & Co.
Aug. 29, CHERRY, British steamer, 12,000, H. M. Tudor, Wei-hai-wei 24th August.	
Aug. 29, HOLSTEIN, German str., 985, H. Lorenzen, Saigon 27th August, Rice and	Flour—JENSEN & Co.
Aug. 29, KAMBA, Swedish str., 608, G. Pettersen, Chiofo 24th Aug., General—SANDER, WELER & Co.	
Aug. 29, KINGING, British str., 1,223, P. A. Parkin, Shanghai 25th August, General—	JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.
Aug. 29, MEEFOO, Chinese str., 1,321, Hoelger, Shanghai 25th Aug., General—CHINESE.	
Aug. 29, ROBERTA MARU, Japanese str., 2,402, H. S. Smith, Manila 27th Aug., General—	TOTO KIEN KAISHA.
Aug. 30, CHOWTAL, German str., 1,115, H. Teutler, Bangkok 21st Aug. and Swatow	20th, Rice—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.
Aug. 30, HUE, French str., 706, Godinn, Haiphong 26th Aug. and Kwangchauwan	29th, General—A. R. MARTY.
Aug. 30, KWONGSANG, British str., 1,427, P. Lake, Shanghai and Swatow 29th August, General—JARDINE, MATHESON & Co.	
Aug. 30, SHAKANO MARU, Japanese str., 2,064, S. Fujita, Moji 26th August, Coal—	E. A. TRADING CO.
Aug. 30, SULLBERG, German str., 782, H. Meyer, Amoy 28th August, Ballast—	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE.
Aug. 29, WUHU, British str., 1,257, Partridge, Chinkiang 24th Aug., General—BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE.	

CLEARANCES.

AT THE HARBOR MASTER'S OFFICE.	
29th August.	
Daouion, French str., for Swatow.	29th August.
Elly, Norwegian str., for Saigon.	
Cornet, British 4-m. tug, for Batavia.	
Haiching, British str., for Swatow.	
Hongkong, French str., for Holhow.	
Huyeh, British str., for Shanghai.	
Karin, Swedish str., for Canton.	
Kingala, Maru, Japanese str., for Moji.	
Laertes, British str., for Saigon.	
Maria Rickmers, German str., for Swatow.	
Meefoo, Chinese str., for Canton.	
Merionethshire, British str., for Singapore.	
P. C. King, German str., for Bangkok.	
Savona, German str., for Genoa.	
Waikling, British str., for Shanghai.	
Wineand, Norwegian str., for Nagasaki.	
Wuhu, British str., for Canton.	

DEPARTURES.

29th August.	
BARON DRIEMER, Russian str., for New York.	
Bourbon, French str., for Swatow.	
CHANGCHOW, British str., for Amoy.	
KISAGATA MARU, Japanese str., for Moji.	
LYRA, American str., for Manila.	
ONANG, British str., for Singapore.	
PHEA CHOM KLAO, Ger. str., for Bangkok.	
PITZUNLOK, German str., for Swatow.	
SADINE RICHMOND, Brit. str., for Balik Papan.	
THEA, German str., for Chiofo.	
VALETTA, British str., for Europe.	
ZAFIRO, British str., for Manila.	
30th August.	
HAICHING, British str., for Const. Ports.	
HONGKONG, French str., for Haiphong.	
KARIN, Swedish str., for Canton.	
JARLES, British str., for Saigon.	
MARIA RICHMOND, German str., for Swatow.	
MEEFOO, Chinese str., for Canton.	
MERIONETHSHIRE, British str., for London.	
WAICHING, British str., for Shanghai.	
WINEAND, Norwegian str., for Nagasaki.	
WUHU, British str., for Canton.	

VESSELS IN DOCK.

29th August.	
ARRIVED DOCKS—Tai-fu.	
KOWLOON DOCKS—Kaisa, Pembroke, Kien, Nippon Maru, Hsin, etc.	
COSMOPOLITAN DOCK—U.S.A.T. Sumner, Helen Wyman, Changsha.	

SHIPPING REPORTS.

The British steamer Kinging, from Shanghai 25th August, had light variable winds and fine weather throughout.	
The Chinese steamer Meefoo, from Shanghai 25th August, had very light southerly wind, fine weather with smooth sea.	

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Captain Meyer, will be despatched for the above ports TO-DAY, the 31st inst., at Noon.	
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Hongkong, 28th August, 1903.	[2336]

FOR SINGAPORE, PENANG AND CALCUTTA.

THE Steamship

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Captain J. G. Spence, will be despatched for the above ports TO-MORROW, the 1st September, at 1 P.M.	
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Hongkong, 26th August, 1903.	[2384]

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Hongkong, 28th August, 1903.

FOR SINGAPORE AND CALCUTTA.

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Captain Sachs, will be despatched for the above ports on FRIDAY, the 4th September, at Noon.

For Freight or Passage, apply to HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE, Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 28th August, 1903.

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VESSELS ADVERTISED AS LOADING.

DESTINATION	VESSEL'S NAME	FLAG	CAPTAIN	FOR FREIGHT APPLY TO	TO BE DESPATCHED
LONDON & ANTWERP, via SINGAPORE, &c.	SUMATRA	Brit. str.	W. Hayward	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 18th Sep.
LIVERPOOL	PRINCESTON	Brit. str.	C. Warrell	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	22nd September.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	JASON	Brit. str.	A. D. Baker	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	23rd October.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	NAGTOR	Brit. str.	N. Trent	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	To-morrow.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	AWA MARU	Jap. str.	H. Robinson	MESSAGERIES MARITIMES	5th Sep., Daylight.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	KINTUCK	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	5th Sep., Daylight.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	KANAKURA MARU	Jap. str.	H. Robinson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	15th September.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	CHANGCHOW	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	18th Sep., D'light.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	AMAMON	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	23rd September.
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP.	PAK LING	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	19th October.
BREMEN via PORTS OF CALL.	KIATTSCHOU	Ger. str.	H. Robinson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	2nd Sep., at Noon.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG.	SITHONIA	Ger. str.	H. Robinson	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	To-day.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG.	KONIGSBERG	Ger. str.	H. Robinson	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	13th September.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG.	ANDALUSIA	Ger. str.	H. Robinson	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	23rd September.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG.	ABESSINIA	Ger. str.	H. Robinson	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	6th October.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG.	BRISGAVIA	Ger. str.	H. Robinson	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	20th October.
HAVRE, BREMEN & HAMBURG.	SAKONIA	Ger. str.	H. Robinson	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	3rd November.
TRIESTE, &c., via SINGAPORE, &c.	MOGUL	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	19th Sep., at Noon.
NEW YORK via PORTS & SUEZ CANAL.	NOBUDYN	Rus. str.	H. Robinson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	30th Sep., at Noon.
NEW YORK via SUEZ CANAL.	E. of JAPAN	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	CANADIAN PACIFIC R. CO.	22nd Sep., at Noon.
YANCOOVER, via SHANGHAI, &c.	TARTAR	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	7th October.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE via SHAL &c.	DEUCALION	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	4th September.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE via SHAL &c.	SHIMANO MARU	Jap. str.	H. Robinson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	8th Sep., at 4 P.M.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE via SHAL &c.	OLYMPIA	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	10th September.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE via SHAL &c.	TODA MARU	Jap. str.	H. Robinson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	22nd Sep., at 4 P.M.
VICTORIA (B.C.) & SEATTLE via SHAL &c.	INDRAMA	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	PORTLAND & ASIATIC CO.	13th September.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	CHANGSHA	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	8th September.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	KAMANO MARU	Jap. str.	H. Robinson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	11th Sep., at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	EASTERN	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO.	23rd Sep., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	HORNEO	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	P. & O. S. N. Co.	About 4th Sep.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	CHINGTU	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	12th September.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	KINSHU MARU	Jap. str.	H. Robinson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	15th Sep., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	WAKASHI MARU	Jap. str.	H. Robinson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	2nd Sep., Daylight.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	WARASAKI MARU	Jap. str.	H. Robinson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	4th Sep., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	KANAKURA MARU	Jap. str.	H. Robinson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	11th Sep., Daylight.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	YAWATA MARU	Jap. str.	H. Robinson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	25th Sep., D'light.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	SULLBERG	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	29th Sep., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	ZUKTEN	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	To-day, at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	CHANG	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	Quick despatch.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	DAIGI MARU	Jap. str.	H. Robinson	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	To-day.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	MAIDUET MARU	Jap. str.	H. Robinson	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	5th September.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	KWAIYANG MARU	Jap. str.	H. Robinson	OSAKA SHOSHEN KAISHA	2nd September.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	KAIPOW	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	ROSTTA MARU	Jap. str.	H. Robinson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	2nd September.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	LOONGHANG	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	2nd Sep., 10 A.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	RODI	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	4th Sep., at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	CHANGSHA	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	5th Sep., 10 A.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	SUNGKIANG	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	8th September.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	PERLA	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	To-day, at 4 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	WEEHANG	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE	4th September.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	BOMBAY MARU	Jap. str.	H. Robinson	NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA	8th Sep., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	LOONGHANG	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	DAVID SASSOON & CO., LD.	To-morrow, 12 P.M.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	LAETZ	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	4th Sep., at Noon.
AUSTRALIAN PORTS	SWIFT	Brit. str.	H. Robinson	HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE	Quick despatch.

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR KOBE.

THE Steamship

"EASTERN."

Captain W. Ellis, will be despatched for the above port on THURSDAY, the 3rd September, at DAYLIGHT.

This well-known Steamer is specially fitted for Passengers, and has a Refrigerating Chamber, which ensures the supply of Fresh Provisions, Ice, &c., throughout the voyage.

The Steamer is installed throughout with the Electric Light.

A Stewardess and a duly qualified Surgeon are carried.

N.B.—To assure the additional comfort of passengers the Steamers of the Company have electric fans fitted in staterooms.

For Passage, apply to GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., Agents.

Hongkong, 28th August, 1903. [2432]

COMPAGNIE DES MESSAGERIES MARITIMES.

PAQUEBOTS—POSTE FRANCAIS.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR SAIGON, SINGAPORE, BATAVIA, COLOMBO, ADEN, EGYPT, MARSEILLES, MEDITERRANEAN AND BLACK SEA PORTS, LONDON, HAVRE, BORDEAUX, ALSO

PORTS OF BRAZIL AND RIVER PLATE.

ON TUESDAY, the 8th September, 1903, at 5 P.M., the Company's Steamship "SALAZAR," Captain Neger, with Mail, Passengers, Specie and Cargo, will leave this Port for MARSEILLES via Ports of Call, WITHOUT TRANSHIPMENT.

Cargo and Specie will be registered for London as well as for Marseilles, and accepted in transit through Marseilles for the principal places of Europe.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon only on Monday, the 7th September. Specie and Parcels received until 4 P.M. on the same day. No Cargo will be received on board on Tuesday.

Parcels are not to be sent on board, they must be left at the Agency's Office, Contents and Value of Packages are required.

For further particulars, apply at the Company's Office.

G. DE CHAMPEAUX, Agent.

Hongkong, 27th August, 1903. [2]

FOR CANTON.

THE new and fast Twin-Screw Steamer

"SAN CHEUNG,"

951 Tons, Captain A. Murphy, will leave for Canton at 8 P.M. on SUNDAYS, TUESDAYS and THURSDAYS and return to Hongkong on the following days, leaving Canton at 5 P.M. Excellent accommodation, electric light, and perfect cuisine. Wharf at Hongkong near Harbour Office.

First-class Fare, \$3 each way. Meals, \$1 each.

Cargo Freight very moderate.

J. TREVOUX & CO.,

No. 123, Colonnade Road Central.

Hongkong, 30th June, 1903. [1251]

HONGKONG-MACAO LINE.

S.S. "WING CHAI."

Captain Samuel Bell Smith.

DEPARTURES from Hongkong, on week days, at 7:30 A.M.; on Excursion Sundays, at 8:30 A.M.; from Macao (week days) at about 2 P.M. and (Sundays) about 8 P.M.

FARE—(week days) 1st Class (including cabin and servant), \$3. Return Ticket \$5.

2nd Class \$1.50. Return Ticket \$2.50.

3rd Class \$1. Steerage 50 cents.

On Excursion Sundays 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Class Single Ticket \$2. Return Ticket \$3. Return Ticket including Dinner and Dinner either on board or at Macao Hotel \$5.

Wharf—Opposite Central Market.

The Steamer runs an Excursion Trip Every Sunday in Summer.

SAM WANG & CO., LD.,

81, Queen's Road Central.

Hongkong, 28th July, 1903. [2112]

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY CO.'S

ROYAL MAIL STEAMSHIP LINE.

THE FAST ROUTE BETWEEN CHINA, JAPAN, AND EUROPE, VIA CANADA AND THE UNITED STATES.

CALLING AT SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBE, YOKOHAMA AND VICTORIA, B.C.

SAFETY. SPEED. PUNCTUALITY.

"Empress" Twin Screw Steamships—6,000 Tons—10,000 Horse-Power—Speed 19 knots.

SAVING THREE TO SEVEN DAYS ACROSS THE PACIFIC.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. (SUBJECT TO ALTERATION).

1903

R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF JAPAN" 6,000 Tons WEDNESDAY, 23rd Sept.

R.M.S. "TARTAR" 4,425 Tons WEDNESDAY, 7th Oct.

R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF CHINA" 6,000 Tons WEDNESDAY, 21st Oct.

R.M.S. "ATHENIAN" 3,882 Tons WEDNESDAY, 4th Nov.

R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF INDIA" 6,000 Tons WEDNESDAY, 18th Nov.

R.M.S. "EMPERESS OF JAPAN" 6,000 Tons WEDNESDAY, 16th Dec.

R.M.S. "TARTAR" 4,425 Tons WEDNESDAY, 30th Dec.

THE magnificent "TWIN-SCREW" "EMPERESS" STEAMSHIPS of this Line pass through the famous INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, and usually make the voyage YOKOHAMA to YANCOOVER (B.C.) in 12 DAYS ("TARTAR" and "ATHENIAN" 14 DAYS), saving THREE DAYS to a WEEK in the Trans-Pacific journey and make connection at Vancouver with the PALATIAL OVERLAND TRAINS of the CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY, which leave daily, and cross the Continent FROM THE PACIFIC TO THE ATLANTIC WITHOUT CHANGE in 97 hours. Close connection is made at Montreal, Quebec, Halifax, New York and Boston with all Trans-Atlantic Lines, which passengers to Great Britain and the Continent are given choice of.

Passengers booked through to all principal points and AROUND THE WORLD. Return tickets to various points at reduced rates, Good for 4, 6, 8, 9, and 12 months.

SPECIAL RATES (First class only) granted to Missionaries, Members of the Naval, Military, Diplomatic, and Civil Services, and to European Officials in the Service of China and Japan Governments.

The attractive features of this Company's route embrace its PALATIAL STEAMSHIPS (second to none in the World), the LUXURANCE of its TRANS-CONTINENTAL TRAINS (the Company having received the highest award for same at Chicago World Exhibition), and the diversity of MAGNIFICENT MOUNTAIN AND LAKE SCENERY through which the Railway passes.

THE DINING CARS and MOUNTAIN HOTELS of this route are owned and operated by the Company, and their appointments and cuisine are unequalled.

For further information, Maps, Guides, Books, Rates of Passage and Freight, apply to J. G. SPOONER, General Agent.

PORTLAND & ASIATIC STEAMSHIP CO.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG via INLAND SEA OF JAPAN, MOJI, KOBE AND YOKOHAMA FOR

PORTLAND, OREGON

OPERATING IN CONNECTION WITH THE OREGON RAILROAD & NAVIGATION CO.

STEAMSHIP TONS CAPTAIN TO SAIL ON

"INDRAMA" 5,197 H. P. Craven September 13, 1903

"INDRAVELLI" 4,899 W. E. Craven October 14, 1903

"INDRAPURA" 4,899 A. E. Hollingsworth November 14, 1903

Through Bills of Lading issued to Pacific Coast Ports and all Eastern, Canadian and United States Ports. For through rates of Freight and further information, communicate with or apply to

ALLAN CAMERON, GENERAL AGENT.

Hongkong, 22nd August, 1903.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

OSTASIATISCHER FRACHTDAMPFER DIENST.

Taking Cargo at through rates to ANTWERP, AMSTERDAM, ROTTERDAM, COPENHAGEN, LIEBOW, OBERLO, LONDON, LIVERPOOL, GLASGOW, TRINITY, GENOA, PORTS in the LEVANT, BLACK SEA and BALTIC PORTS, NORTH and SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM HONGKONG. SUBJECT TO ALTERATION.

POST OFFICE NOTICES.

The *Zieten*, with the German Mail of the 4th inst., left Singapore on Thursday, the 27th inst., at 10 a.m., and may be expected here on or about Tuesday, the 1st prox.

The *Siberia*, with the American Mail of the 8th inst., left Yokohama on Thursday, the 27th inst., at daylight, and may be expected here on or about Friday, the 4th prox.

MAILS WILL CLOSE.

FOR	PER	DATE
Hoihow and Haiphong.....	Hongkong.....	Monday, 31st, 9.00 A.M.
Canton.....	Monday, 31st, 9.30 A.M.	
Shanghai.....	Monday, 31st, 11.00 A.M.	
Macao.....	Monday, 31st, 1.15 P.M.	
Cebu and Iloilo.....	Monday, 31st, 3.00 P.M.	
Yokohama and Kobe.....	Monday, 31st, 3.00 P.M.	
Tsingtau, Chemulpo, Daire and Port Arthur.....	Monday, 31st, 3.00 P.M.	
Namiao.....	Monday, 31st, 5.00 P.M.	
Sanbu.....	Monday, 31st, 5.00 P.M.	
Swatow, Choke and Tientsin.....	Monday, 31st, 5.00 P.M.	
Singapore, Penang and Calcutta.....	Monday, 31st, 5.00 P.M.	

SHANGHAI, NAGASAKI, KOBÉ, YOKOHAMA, HONOLULU and SAN FRANCISCO (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail. Extra Postage 10 cents.)

Ningpo and Shanghai.....
Europe, &c., India via Tutuoria (Late Letters 11.10 to 11.30 A.M. Extra Postage 10 cents.)
(Letters posted in the Peak Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail.)

TO-DAY.
Sale, Crown Lands, Public Works Department, 3 p.m.

COMMERCIAL.

CLOSING QUOTATIONS.

ON LONDON.....	29th August.
Telegraphic Transfer.....	1/10 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand.....	1/10 1/2
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight.....	1/10 1/2
Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight.....	1/10 1/2
Credits, at 4 months' sight.....	1/10 1/2
ON PARIS.....	234 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand.....	234 1/2
Credits, at 4 months' sight.....	234 1/2
ON GERMANY.....	190 1/2
On demand.....	190 1/2
ON NEW YORK.....	45 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand.....	45 1/2
Credits, at 4 months' sight.....	45 1/2
ON BOMBAY.....	139 1/2
Telegraphic Transfer.....	139 1/2
Bank, on demand.....	139 1/2
ON CALCUTTA.....	139 1/2
Telegraphic Transfer.....	139 1/2
Bank, on demand.....	139 1/2
ON SHANGHAI.....	72 1/2
Bank, at sight.....	72 1/2
Private, at 30 days' sight.....	72 1/2
ON HONGKONG.....	90 1/2
On demand.....	90 1/2
ON MANILA.....	Nominal.
On demand.....	Nominal.
ON SINGAPORE.....	Nominal.
On demand.....	Nominal.
ON BATAVIA.....	112 1/2
On demand.....	112 1/2
ON HAIPHONG.....	15 p.m.
On demand.....	15 p.m.
ON SAIGON.....	15 p.m.
On demand.....	15 p.m.
ON BANGKOK.....	62 1/2
On demand.....	62 1/2
OVERSEAS, Bank's Buying Rate.....	\$10.80
U. I. LEAF, 100 fms, per fms.....	\$57.20
U. I. SILVER, per oz.....	26 1/2

OPIUM.

Quotations are—	29th August.
Malwa New.....	\$9.00 to per picul
Malwa Old.....	\$9.00 to per picul
Malwa Old.....	\$10.20 to per picul
Malwa V. Old.....	\$11.50 to per picul
Persian fine quality.....	\$8.50 to per picul
Persian extra fine.....	\$8.50 to per picul
Patna New.....	\$10.70 to per picul
Patna Old.....	\$10.80 to per picul
Benares New.....	\$10.70 to per picul
Benares Old.....	\$10.70 to per picul

VESSELS EXPECTED.

THE INDIAN MAIL.
The Indo-China steamer *Kunming*, from Calcutta and the Straits, left Singapore for this port on the 25th inst., p.m., and is expected here to-day.

THE GERMAN MAILS.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Zieten*, left Singapore on the 27th inst., at 6 p.m., and may be expected here to-morrow, at 5 a.m.

The Imperial German mail steamer *Kunming*, left Shanghai on the 24th inst., at noon, and may be expected here to-morrow, at 5 a.m.

THE AMERICAN MAILS.
The P.M. steamer *Siberia*, with mails from San Francisco to the 8th inst., via Honolulu, left Yokohama for this port, via Inland Sea, &c., on the 27th inst., at daylight.

The O. & O. steamer *Coptic* left San Francisco for this port, via Honolulu, &c., on the 18th inst.

The T.K.K. steamer *America* left San Francisco for this port, via Honolulu, &c., on the 20th inst.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The C.P.R. steamer *Empress of Japan* left Vancouver on the 18th inst., p.m., for Hongkong, via the usual ports of call.

MERCHANT STEAMERS.

The N.Y.K. steamer *Hiroshima Maru* (Bombay Line) left Singapore for this port on the 26th inst., and is expected here to-day, at 5 a.m.

The C.C. steamer *Loftham* left Moji on the 26th inst., at noon, and is due here to-day, at 5 a.m.

The N.P. steamer *Olympia* arrived at Yokohama on the 22nd inst.

The O.S.S. steamer *Denon* left Singapore on the 28th inst., p.m., and is due here on the 2nd prox.

The P. & A. steamer *Indrasan* left Yokohama on the 20th inst., at noon, and may be expected here on the 3rd prox.

The steamer *Telamachus* left Tacoma on the 9th inst. for Japan ports and Hongkong.

The N.P. steamer *Tacoma* left Tacoma for Yokohama and the usual ports on the 15th inst.

The C.N. steamer *Chingta*, from Australian ports, left Sydney on the 15th inst., for this port via Manila, and is expected here on the 7th prox.

The C.C. steamer *Atoll* left San Francisco for this port via Japan ports on the 18th inst.

The C.P.R. steamer *Tartar* left Vancouver on the 24th inst., p.m., for Hongkong, via the usual ports of call.

PASSENGERS.

Arrived.
For Kiangsu, from Shanghai, Mr. C. Fischer.
For Kwangtung, from Shanghai, &c., Mr. Andre.

Ideal Milk



Enriched 20 per cent.
with Cream.

Sterilized—Not Sweetened.

A Perfect Substitute for Fresh Milk.

JOINT STOCK SHARES.

Hongkong, 29th August.

COMPANY PAID UP. QUOTATIONS.

Hongkong & Shanghai.....

Nat'l. Bank of China.....

Bank of China.....

Bank of Communications.....

Bank of India.....

Bank of Japan.....

Bank of Korea.....

Bank of Persia.....

Bank of Siam.....

Bank of the Straits.....

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